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Dr. SCHNEIDER, New RV Chief

1. We at POB were mildly surprised by the announcement of Subject's appointment as head of the RV. Our files contain nothing on him; we had heard no discussion among Americans of his candidacy for the post; his name had never come up in conversation with ZIPPER. The press has given modest play to his appointment -- noting that he has nerves of steel, smokes a pipe, has some experience as a prosecuting attorney, has a wife who is a singing instructor, and comes from the former British zone of Germany. More recently, a Bonn dispatch prepared by [] quoted a British colleague of BSSO as stating that Subject is known to them and well thought of.

2. We would be most interested to know more. Do we have biographic data? Who sponsored him? What are his politics? His intelligence background? His views on ZIPPER? On the future GI organization of the Fed Rep? We would specifically be interested to know if he is one of CAUSA's candidates. If so, what is CAUSA's motivation in backing him?

3. We would be most grateful to receive information that becomes available to you.

Added comment: BOMN-2771 noted after above written. Does not affect our basic request for more information.

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